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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE NOVEMBER 22, 2006 OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

Applicant respectfully submits this response to an Office Action mailed by the United States Patent and Trademark Office on November 22, 2006. A response to the Office Action was due February 22, 2007. Applicant hereby requests a two-month extension of time for responding to the outstanding office action. With a two-month extension of time, a response to the outstanding office action is now due April 22, 2007. Accordingly, this amendment is being timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.